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A Nevil Shute prediction

THOSE who dismissed Nevil Shute's novel "On the Beach" as a far-fetched nuclear fantasy will have been sobered to read that the time is not far off when the hydrogen bomb will no longer be the monopoly of the Big Four Powers. Other nations anxious enough to pull either the Eagle's, Lion's or Bear's tail or to settle some private grudge will have the means of accomplishing it by nuclear intimidation.

There is no need to exaggerate yesterday's news. The day when medium-sized powers will be able to build themselves hydrogen bombs is still several years off, and perhaps the majority in their wisdom and in their realisation of the dilemma of the Big Four Powers, will decide that whatever the cost of production they will never own one. But the danger that some small-time dictator afflicted with acute megalomania or a burning sense of revenge, will want one cannot be dismissed.

NO doubt Khrushchev will be quick to exploit the news for the German development underlines the urgency with which a ban on hydrogen bomb tests initially, and the bomb itself ultimately, must be treated. Even if the Americans succeed in persuading Bonn to keep this information classified, the fact that scientists in one country have perfected such a device shows that it will not be long before others do likewise.

But does it mean that Khrushchev is right to display his impatience and anger with Western statesmen because they refuse to join him in a special UN session to discuss disarmament? Not at all. His violent tirade of abuse and threats was a blatant attempt to scare the majority of UN members into accepting his demands. The fact that Russia is turning out ballistic missiles, "like sausages" is not going to stampede the world into a complete surrender to Moscow's wishes. And Tuesday's voting stressed how few he impressed.

NEVERTHELESS the need for a summit conference has never been greater. And if instead of Khrushchev's proposed assembly meeting on disarmament next March, the heads of the Big Four were to meet to hand down directives to their officials on how to tackle the problem, the world's leaders will have taken a step in the direction of sanity.

As we said yesterday nothing can be gained by unilateral renunciation—it can only increase the imbalance in arms and thereby increase the danger of the stronger side trying to exploit the weaker. The essential need is for all who possess the hydrogen bomb to work out comprehensive measures in which neither East or West will be left with an advantage either in nuclear or conventional weapons or armées.

That is the only way of putting a stop to the unfolding nightmare which Shute so vividly predicted.

Reports in Conservative circles of Premier's decision **MACMILLAN PLANS TO RETIRE**

Butler said picked as his successor

By DOUGLAS CLARK

London, Oct. 12.

It is now generally accepted within Tory inner circles that Mr. Harold Macmillan has decided to give up the Premiership during the present Parliament.

It is further believed that he has talked over the tactics of his retirement with Mr. R. A. Butler the Home Secretary, and No. 2.

K bangs table with fists and shoe,

President breaks his gavel

UN Assembly in uproar

United Nations, Oct. 12.

The United Nations General Assembly adjourned in uproar tonight as its Irish President broke his gavel in a vain attempt to stop a Communist delegate speaking.

It was a scene without precedent in the 15-year history of the world organisation.

Earlier Mr. Nikita Khrushchev had banged his table with both fists and one of his shoes and stormed up to the rostrum to protest during a speech critical of the "colonisation" of Eastern Europe.

These displays of emotion highlighted a four-hour heated debate on colonialism.

It ended when Mr. Frederick Boland, of Ireland, President of the 99-nation body, abruptly adjourned the Assembly as the Rumanian delegate, Mr. Eduard Mezincescu, shouted at the top of his voice: "I can only hope the Irish people enjoy the same measure of freedom that the Rumanian people do."

Mr. Mezincescu, Deputy Foreign Minister, had gone to the rostrum to protest against the United States delegate, Mr. Francis Wilcox's statement that "there are a number of states in Eastern Europe which do not have their complete independence."

Tears in eyes

The Assembly had been discussing a Soviet proposal to debate in plenary session Mr. Nikita Khrushchev's draft declaration of independence for all colonial peoples.

Mr. Boland broke his gavel, but continued to pound the desk with the handle to call the Rumanian delegate to order.

But Mr. Mezincescu, with tears in his eyes, continued to shout his protest.

After the adjournment Mr. Boland sent word to reporters that he had halted the proceedings because of "the behaviour of the Rumanian delegate and his references to the chair."

Mr. Boland noted that this had been the culmination of a stormy afternoon session, in which there had been many other incidents.

As he left the chamber, Mr. Khrushchev said that the gavel-breaking was "symbolic of the United Nations."

Before the sudden adjournment, the Assembly had been expected to reach a vote tonight on the Soviet proposal.

The Assembly will resume tomorrow morning and the vote is expected to be taken then.

The scene involving Mr. Khrushchev occurred when a Philippine delegate, Senator Lorenzo Sumulong, charged that the countries of Eastern Europe had been deprived of their "civil and political rights and have been swallowed up by the Soviet Union."

The Soviet leader banged his desk and raised his hand.

Given the floor, he strode to the platform, face set, arms swinging.

He demanded to know why "this jerk, this stooge of American imperialism"—the Filipino delegate—was allowed by the chair to touch on non-procedural questions without being stopped.

The Filipino, undaunted, continued his speech.

The debate had begun with a strong anti-colonialist speech from the Soviet leader in which he accused Britain of sending "troops, machine guns, shells and ammunition" to Rhodesia.

Mr. David Ormsby-Gore, Britain's Minister of State, thereupon followed Mr. Khrushchev to the rostrum and called his speech "an insult to his audience."—Reuter.

The right of secession

BRITAIN TO CHALLENGE SIR ROY WELENSKY

Scarborough, Oct. 12.

The Colonial Secretary Mr. Iain Macleod today made clear that the British Government was prepared to challenge Sir Roy Welensky, Prime Minister of the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland, on the issue of secession from the Federation in central Africa.

Mr. Macleod, speaking on the first day of the annual Conservative Party Conference here, revealed the first Cabinet decision to the Monckton report (which accepted the principle of secession by Nyasaland). He declared that the Cabinet was ready to discuss the secession recommendation.

He told 4,000 Conservatives he hoped this proposal and others would be discussed in a few weeks' time at constitutional talks on the Federation in London.

This was in direct contradiction to the attitude taken by Sir Roy Welensky, who has vehemently rejected the Monckton Commission's right to make any recommendation at all on secession.

Many Conservatives present at the Conference, moreover, believed the Government was prepared for a showdown with Sir Roy Welensky on the Federation issue.

The Government was said to be convinced that a group of Federation settlers was readying itself to emerge as leaders in future negotiations.

The overwhelming majority of delegates here at the four-day conference not only supported the Government's reported attitude, but was eager and willing to hope that new moderate forces, when they came to the fore, could find a solution to the Federation's problems.

Economic

Influential Rhodesian economic interests—including the Federation's powerful copper companies—were cited as indications of the need of economic support that would be given to the moderate forces.

Informed Conservatives believed, moreover, that the Prime Minister Mr. Harold Macmillan did not intend to intervene against Mr. Macleod's

policy on behalf of Sir Roy Welensky.

The support given Mr. Macleod by the vast majority of representatives here suggested that European settlers in the Federation—or for that matter in nearby Kenya—should not rely on any sizeable or significant backing for their policies from the British Conservative Party rank and file.

The small but usually vocal group of Conservative "Empire Firsters" were unable to get an effective hearing at today's meeting.

Mr. Macleod, in his speech, gave further proof of his own approval of the Monckton Commission's findings.

Declaring that the big question posed in Africa was whether legitimate rights could be protected and legitimate aspirations fulfilled, Mr. Macleod asserted: "The answer we give is yes. And the answer Lord Monckton's commission gives is yes also."—Reuter.

'STATE OF CALAMITY' IN THE PHILIPPINES

Manila, Oct. 13.

Two typhoons, rampant profiteering and hoarding of goods, forced President Carlos P. Garcia last night to place Manila and seven provinces in the Philippines under a state of calamity.

The Philippines' main cities of Manila, Pasay, and Quezon, together with the provinces of

Rizal, Bulacan, Pampanga, Nueva Ecija, Pangasinan, Tarlac and Samar were declared to be in a state of calamity last night as the areas hit by Typhoon Kit barely five days ago, prepared for Typhoon Lola amidst the spiralling of prices and the lack of primary commodities.

The President's directive will, in effect, flood the market with products through the National Marketing Corporation, stop the hoarding of goods and curb rampant profiteering.—UPI.

Mr. Isidoro Asanuma winces in shock and pain as 17-year-old Futaya Yamazuchi plunges his dagger deep into the chest and abdomen of the 61-year-old leader of the Japanese Socialist Party yesterday.

This dramatic picture taken by an Associated Press photo-

grapher, shows Yamazuchi throwing the Socialist leader off balance with the force of his dash to the rostrum at Tokyo's Hibaya Concert Hall, where Mr. Asanuma was speaking at a political meeting. Mr. Asanuma was taken to a nearby hospital where he died.

The young assassin, a member of an ultra-rightist group, is the son of Colonel Chitose Yamazuchi, of Japan's self-defence force. Futaya was arrested immediately, and confessed to killing Mr. Asanuma because of his "traitorous" activities.

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Congo waits tensely for UN reply to demand

Leopoldville, Oct. 12. An uneasy calm prevailed here today as Colonel Joseph Mobutu, the Congolese army chief, awaited a reply from the United Nations in New York on the fate of Mr Patrice Lumumba.

Tito opposes Khrushchev's bid to change UN

Belgrade, Oct. 12. Yugoslav President Tito revealed for the first time today that he did not entirely approve of Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev's plan for a complete reorganisation of the United Nations.

In a speech before 200,000 people on his arrival here from New York today, Tito said, "I would take more than a year to realise such a reorganisation. Considering it in a realistic manner, we could not accept such chaos in the UN. We think it would be correct to make certain gradual changes without compromising the normal functioning of the international organisation."

Tito spoke for 40 minutes before the huge crowd massed in Marx-Engels square.

MORAL VICTORY

Tito said the adoption of the five neutral nations plan for a meeting between President Eisenhower and Khrushchev had been prevented by "various machinations."

"But the moral victory is on our side, and its effects will be felt in the later evolution of international relations," he said.

Tito hailed the "great role the non-committed nations have begun to play."

He said, "These countries represented a latent strength which the big powers did not recognise, or which they attempted to present as forming a third bloc."

Tito said he had been disappointed by the speeches made before the U.N. by the representatives of Britain, Canada, and Australia.—AP.

U.S. is not seeking retreat from islands

Washington, Oct. 12. The State Department today denied that any negotiations were going on with Taipei seeking a withdrawal of Nationalist troops and civilians from Quemoy and Matsu.

Mr Francis Tully, the State Department spokesman, told this to a press briefing.

Reporters reminded Mr Tully that Mr John Foster Dulles, the late Secretary of State, had said on his return from a visit to Formosa in 1958 that some attempt should be made to give the Nationalist forces on Quemoy and Matsu more fire-power and thin out their manpower.

"I do not recall the exact nature of Secretary Dulles' remarks at that time, but obviously this whole question is one for the Nationalists to decide," Mr Tully replied.

The State Department spokesman said in reply to another question that it was not possible to say whether negotiations might have been carried out for a reduction of forces as distinct from a withdrawal.

"There have not been any," Mr Tully added emphatically.—Reuter.

Turks thirsting for blood at trial of Menderes and group

By Robin Stafford

World diplomats, international newspapermen, Turkish ministers and senior army officers will pack in the crowded navy gymnasium on a lonely island off Istanbul on Friday to hear a charge that ex-president of Turkey Celal Beyer "did unlawfully and at excessive profit sell one dog to Ankara zoo."

If it were not that ageing (77 years old) ailing Beyer, ex-premier Menderes and some 40 other officials of the Democrat regime ousted by an army coup last May 27 all risk death sentences, this opening to the trial of 486 MPs, ministers and officials of an allegedly corrupt and dictatorial party would seem farcical.

Beyer is accused of selling a large dog given him by the Afghanistan king. The ex-

minister of agriculture is also accused as head of Turkish zoos of fraudulently purchasing the dog. The present army regime of beak-nosed General Cemal Gursel seems intent on ridiculing as well as hanging the Menderes gang.

EXPLOSION IN SUBWAY

New York bomber strikes again

New York, Oct. 12. An explosion in New York's busiest subway terminal, beneath Times Square, today injured at least 34 people. It was caused by a homemade bomb, the third planted in the city in 11 days.

The explosive apparently had been hidden behind a do-it-yourself photo snapshot machine in the subway station.

A gush of black smoke and a wave of momentary panic rolled across the subway terminal as the explosion went off at a merciful two hours before the evening rush. Women screamed as they were knocked down by the blast.

Of the injured, only one was reported in serious condition. He was the conductor of a train who was unloading near the blast centre. His passengers bore the brunt of the explosive shock.

Earlier today a man calling himself "The Sunday Bomber" had telephoned a newspaper saying he had planted a bomb at the giant New York Coliseum Building to mark Columbus Day anniversary of the discovery of America. A two-hour police search proved the call a hoax.—Reuter and AP.

Sino-Indian talks

Tokyo, Oct. 12. The Chinese committee which examined in New Delhi, Indian documents supporting the country's claim to 50,000 square miles of Himalayan territory, returned to Peking yesterday.

They attended the second session of a series of meetings of the Sino-Indian Border Commission which met with Indian officials in Delhi between August 19 and October 5.—AP.

Alejandro was armed at the time of his capture but surrendered peacefully to a detachment of the national police constabulary.

Top Huk leader, Dr Jesus Lava remains at large. Nearly all the other leaders including one American have been captured over the years.—AP.

New atom process may be declared a secret

Bonn, Oct. 12.

A West German Foreign Ministry spokesman said today that the West German Government had recently asked the Federal Patents Office to declare the centrifuge process for the purification of fissionable material a state secret.

The Foreign Ministry spokesman said the request for the system to be declared a state secret had been made for security reasons.

UNDESIRABLE "It is undesirable that the process in its future development might enable other countries to use the process for warlike purposes," he said.

He was answering a questioner at a press conference here following Washington reports that the system offered the possibility of a new and relatively cheap method of producing atomic weapon materials.

The Atomic Ministry spokesman said in reply to questions, that it could be assumed that the know-how of the centrifuge process was familiar to all highly industrialised countries.

Professor Wilhelm Groth, of Bonn University, said earlier today that the university research department had completed the laboratory stage of the centrifuge technology.

Asked if the process could be used to produce the extent of enrichment needed for an atomic bomb, he replied: "In principle, yes."—Reuter.

Anti-Austrian riots take place in Rome

Rome, Oct. 12. Students tried to storm the Austrian consulate today as relations between the two neighbouring countries sagged to a postwar low over the South Tyrol dispute at the United Nations.

In headlines and political speeches, Italians called Austrians Nazis. Austrians called Italians Fascists. Italy has controlled the south Tyrol since World War I, and the Austrians claim German-speaking inhabitants are being deprived of their rights by Italy.

FOR THIRD DAY

Austrians staged anti-Italian demonstrations in Innsbruck and other cities of the Austrian Tyrol during the weekend. Italian students egged on by ruffians of the Mussolini Fascists, demonstrated here for the third successive day against Austria.

The students, about 1,500 strong, tore down the coat-of-arms from the Austrian consulate in downtown Rome yesterday.

About 500 students sought to attack the consulate again today but anti-swinging police in red riot jeeps turned them aside a short distance from their goal.—AP.

Death penalty sought for eight

Havana, Oct. 12.

The prosecution today asked for the death penalty for eight of 28 alleged counter-revolutionaries facing trial in Santiago de Cuba, capital of Oriente province.

The government, announced that 21 of the 28 accused were captured by army troops and peasants militia after landing last week on the province's north-east coast. The others are accused of helping the 21 when they landed.

The prosecution also asked for 30 years sentences for 17 of the accused, and 20 years for three others.

In another trial at Santa Clara, capital of Las Villas province, the prosecution asked for the death penalty for six accused persons.—Reuter.

VIOLENCE IN BRUSSELS Rioters smash through police cordons

Brussels, Oct. 12. Demonstrators clashed with steel-helmeted police here today after a mass meeting of former Belgian settlers in the Congo clamouring for compensation and new jobs in Belgium.

More than 5,000 former settlers and sympathisers, including Brussels University students, attended the meeting in Brussels Palais Des Sports where speakers urged the government to treat the ex-settlers "with equity and honesty."

After the meeting, the demonstrators, led by students, marched through the streets towards Brussels' "neutral zone"—a district of Parliament and government offices where demonstrations are banned.

SMASHED

In the zone, which was cordoned by heavy reinforcements of riot police, the demonstrators waved placards reading: "Police, your sister and aunt have been raped by the Blacks!"

Shouting "Au Parlement, Au Parlement," the demonstrators smashed through the cordons and began a running scuffle with the police.

Fifteen police were injured and taken to hospital when demonstrators began pelting them with stones.

Crack mounted riot police were immediately rushed to the scene.

The demonstrators forced their way only about 50 yards into the neutral zone before police returned the cordon and prevented them from penetrating further.

A police spokesman said nine police were seriously injured and in hospital. He added: "Dozens of demonstrators were injured, but we cannot say exactly how many."

DISPERSED

The crowd later dispersed when they came upon barbed wire entanglements hung across streets leading into the "neutral zone."

Only a handful of demonstrators reached the monument of King Leopold the Second, founder of the Belgian Congo, at the gates of the Royal Palace. There they laid banners.—Reuter.

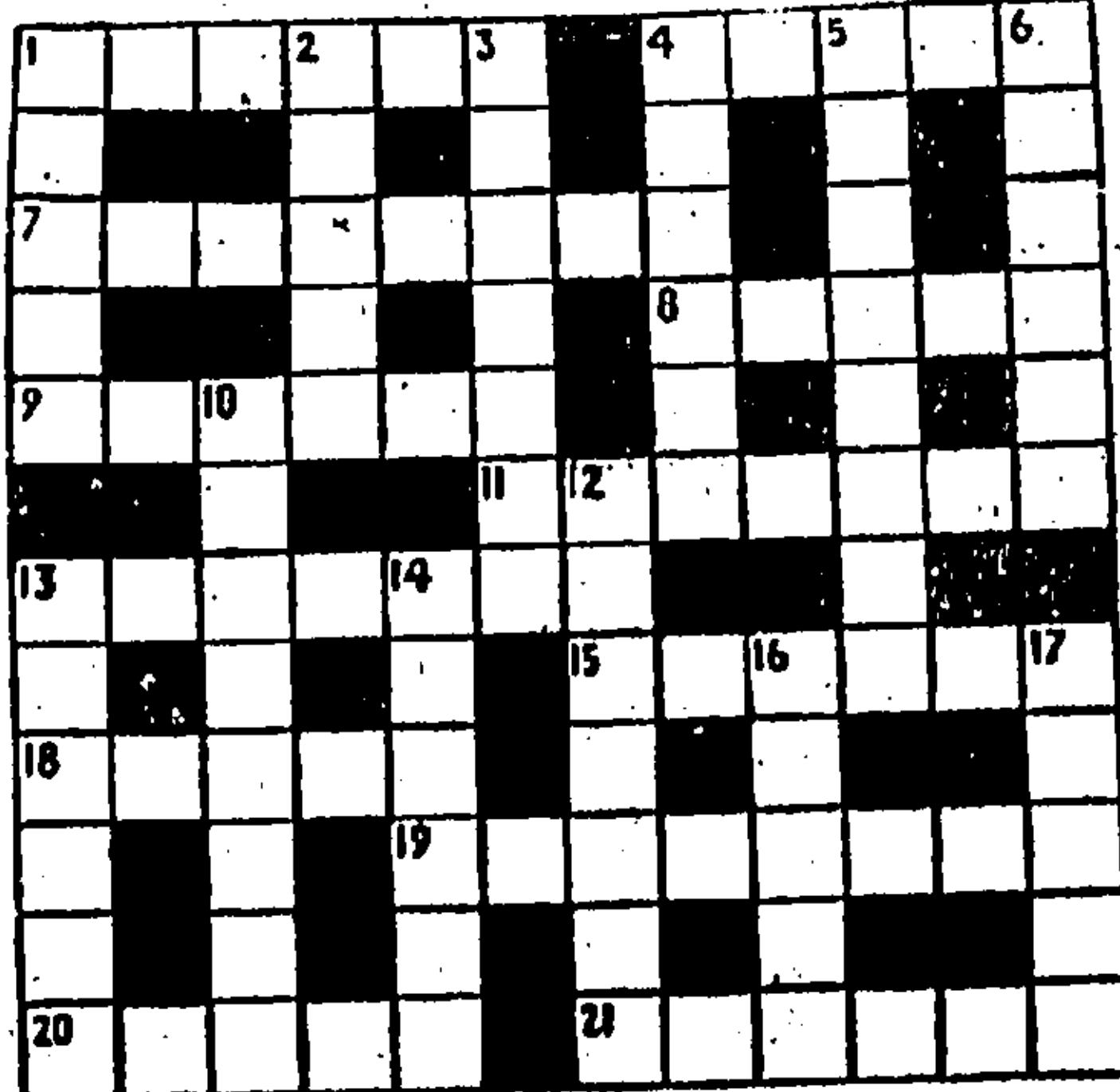
It's Britten for 'pop'

London, Oct. 12. Benjamin Britten, 47-year-old opera composer, has written three pop tunes for a revival of the play "This Way to the Tomb," by poet Ronald Duncan.

Mr Duncan said: "We would like to have the songs recorded by Eitha Kitt or Cliff Richard."

The play, first staged in 1940, opens at the Arts Theatre next month.—London Express Service.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- 1 Do some spade work? (6).
 - 2 Shakespearean flower (5).
 - 3 No doubt he has the accused tagged (8).
 - 4 Friend one has at court (6).
 - 5 Moves purposefully (7).
 - 6 Throw into a middle (7).
 - 7 Bone substance vegetarians eat (6).
 - 8 Speeds to pay them? (5).
 - 9 Paying not the slightest attention (8).
 - 10 Not a hot meal (5).
 - 11 Perhaps military division (6).
- DOWN**
- 1 Barber's accessory (5).
 - 2 Shakespearean flower (5).
 - 3 Without a hat? (7).
 - 4 Get ahead in one's vocation? (8).
 - 5 Shrub to water, perhaps (8).
 - 6 Talk about America? (6).
 - 7 Not a Mince cat? (8).
 - 8 Outburst in a metal-works? (7).
 - 9 Make a fuss of a woman driver? (6).
 - 10 Barefoot (6).
 - 11 Antelope, maybe (5).
 - 12 And soldier? (6).

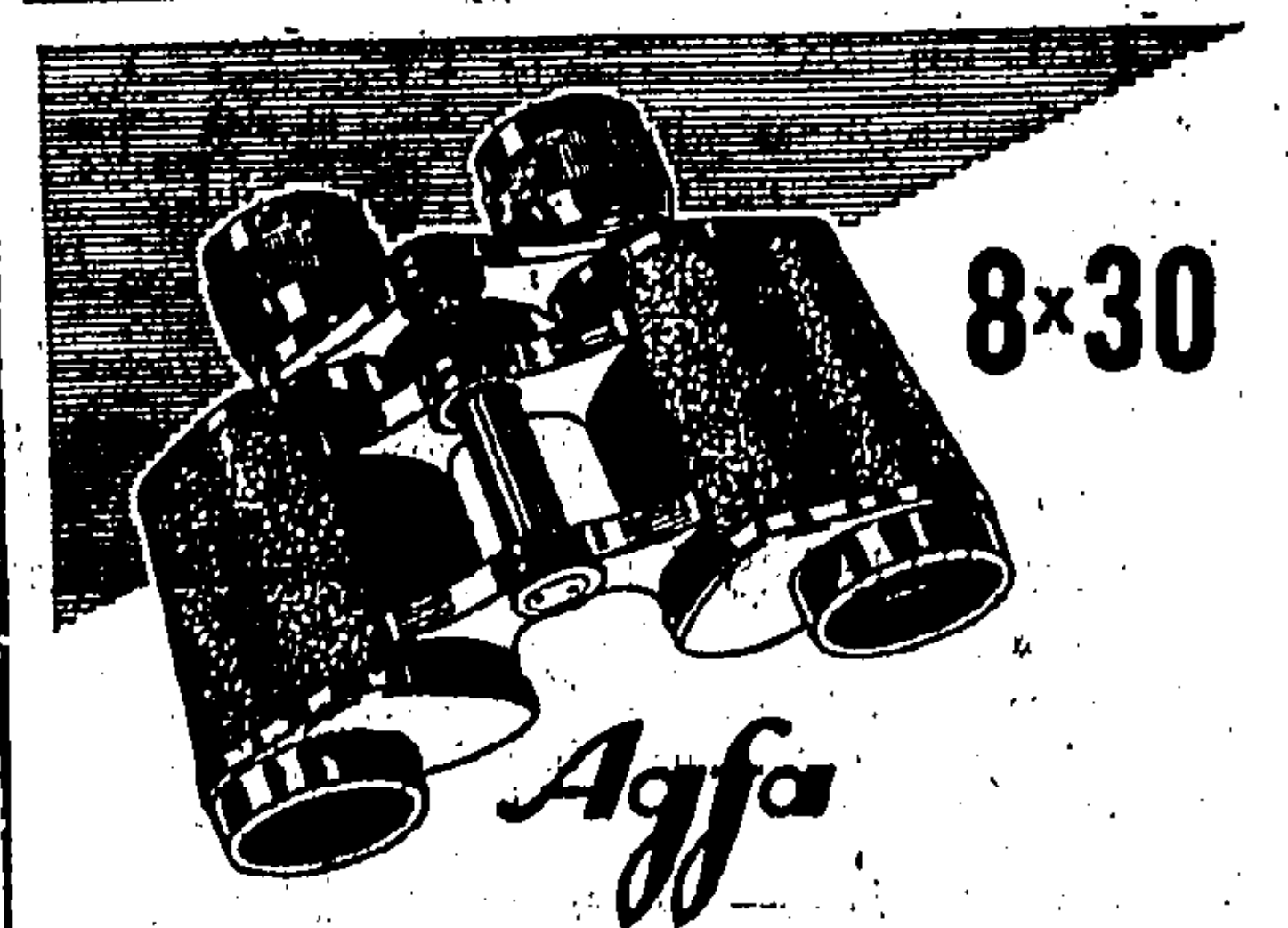
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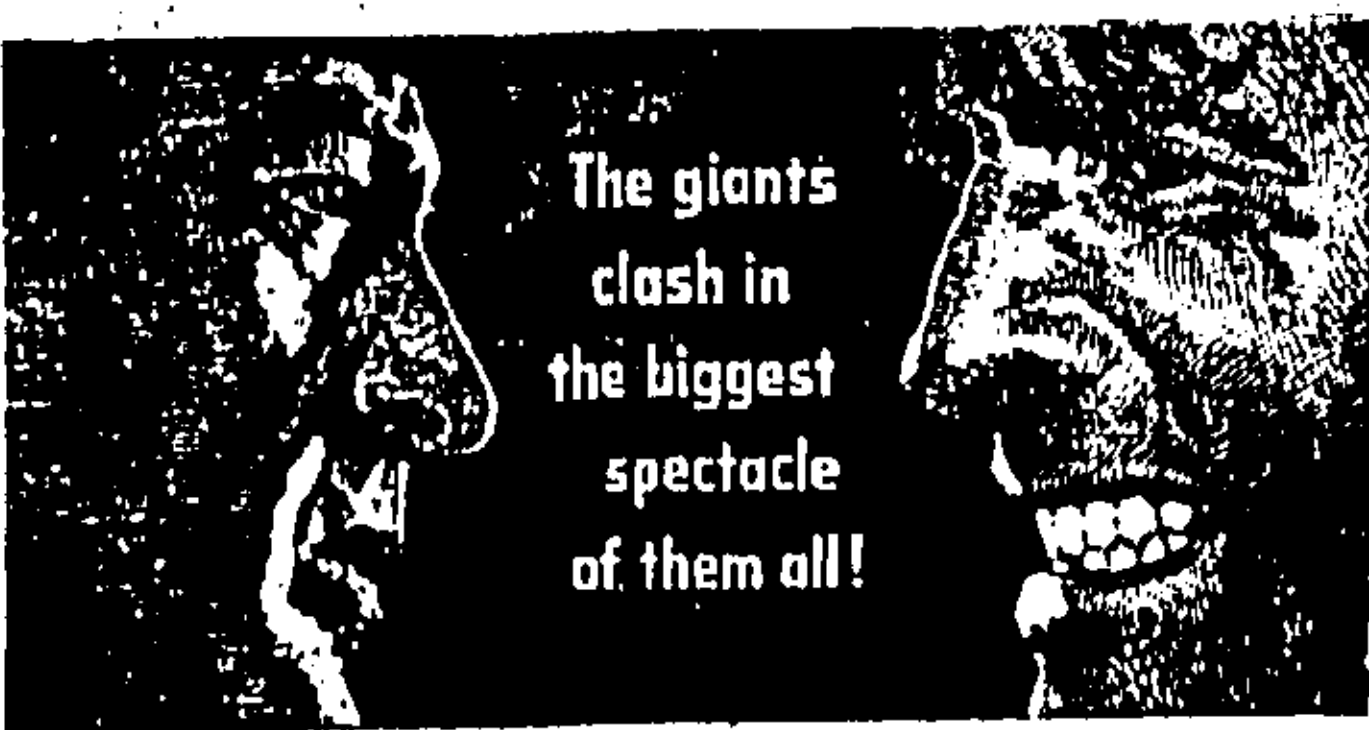
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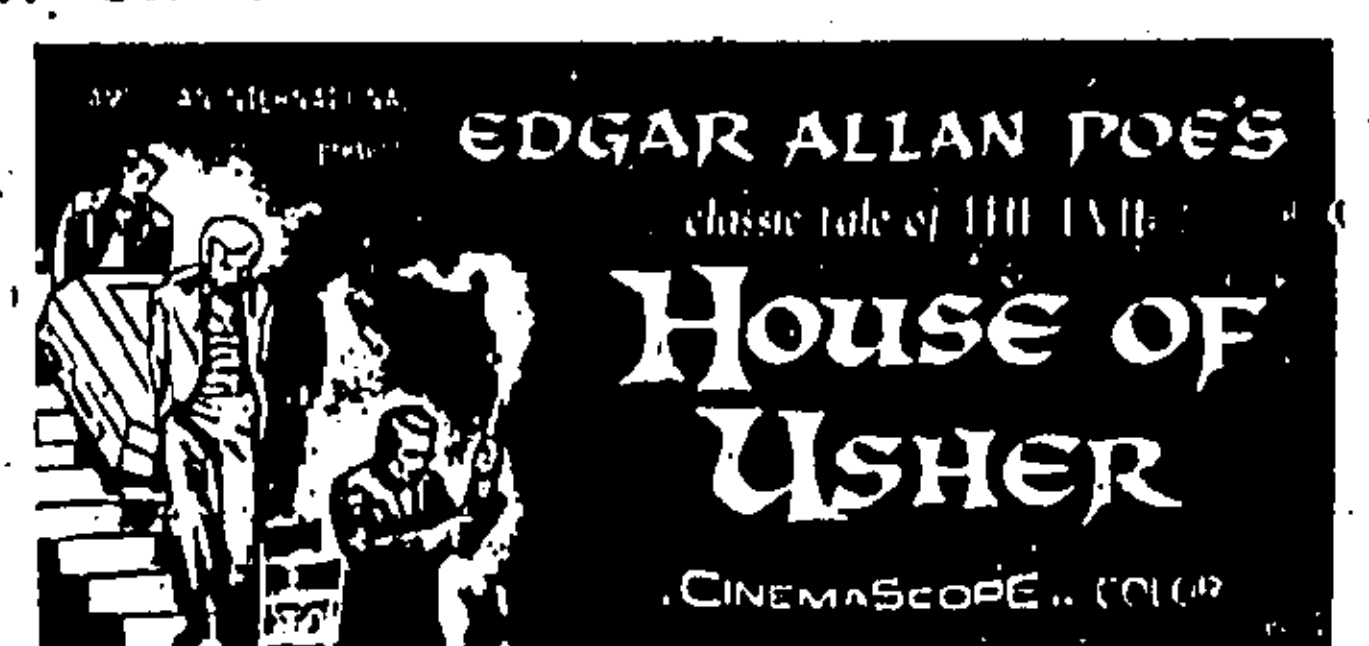
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Dublin, Oct. 12. All Dublin newspapers today closed down from 4 am HK time following a pay dispute.

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HER FIRST

New York, Oct. 12. Graco Metalious, the 35-year-old author of the best-selling novel "Peyton Place," today disclosed that she remarried her first husband last Saturday after divorcing husband No. 2 on Friday.

The author talked in her suite in the Hotel Plaza with her first husband, George Metalious, sitting beside her and puffing happily on his pipe.

Her marriage to T. J. Martin, 35, a radio announcer, was practically over before it began, she said.

The two were married in February, 1958, and Miss Metalious said she left him less than a week later.

Last spring, she said, her first husband came to her house, asked her if she was ready to come home and she told him "yes."

Miss Metalious had three children by her first husband, but her second marriage "was childless."—AP.

S. Korea To Reduce Army

Seoul, Oct. 12. The Defence Ministry has decided to cut 30,000 men from its 600,000-man army by the end of this year, military sources reported today.

About 2,000 out of the 30,000 would be officers.—AP.

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New weekly in Britain

London, Oct. 12. A new weekly joined the ranks of Britain's weekly reviews—Weekly Post, an independent conservative journal launched by wealthy publisher Sir Edward Hulton.

Sir Edward, who is chairman and editor-in-chief, writes that the state of the British popular Press "has built up to the position that a responsibility, heavier than it was formerly, has now devolved upon the serious weekly journals."

He adds: "It is the job of these organs to endeavour to formulate a philosophy for the party which they support, and to comment shrewdly, and if possible wittily, on all the problems of the day."

"It will probably be accepted that there is room for another weekly journal, if it be conducted with enterprise."

Weekly Post, to be published each Wednesday, sells at one shilling.

The journal is orthodox in layout. Contributors to the first issue include John Benjamin, the poet, Sir Roy Harrod, the economist, and Ivor Brown, the dramatic critic.—Reuter.

The Queen at Reformation anniversary

Edinburgh, Oct. 12. The 400th anniversary of the reforms that turned Scotland Protestant was celebrated in the presence of the Queen yesterday.

The Queen addressed the meeting of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, which is now commemorating the Reformation of 1560. Scotland rejected the Church of Rome.

In a formal address to the Assembly, the Queen declared that all Christians might agree on what the Reformation had accomplished.

"Holy writ was liberated through the people, and as a result, the word of God was revealed again as a force to be reckoned with in the affairs of both public and private life," she said.

Man dies

During the St Giles service a member of the congregation collapsed and died. He was Mr John Harvey of Glasgow.

A "pirate" broadcast by a group known as Radio Free Scotland last night made at the end of the BBC's television programme listed incidents which the Crown had offended the Scottish people.

These were the Queen's adoption of the title Elizabeth II; her failure to wear her Coronation robes in Scotland; the exclusive use of the English crown jewels at the Coronation; and the short time spent in Scotland by the Royal Family.

The speaker claimed that Scotland would be loyal to the Crown if the Crown was loyal to Scotland.—China Mail Special.

SOCIETY PATRON

London, Oct. 12. The Duke of Edinburgh is to become Patron of London's Society for Visiting Scientists.

The society, started during the last war, offers facilities for foreign and overseas scientists visiting Britain to meet in formally other visitors and British scientists.—China Mail Special.

'MUMMY MURDER TRIAL' POSTPONED

Cardiff, Oct. 12. The trial of a 65-year-old widow accused of the murder 20 years ago of a 50-year-old dentist's wife, due to have begun here today, was postponed until tomorrow because other cases had to be heard first.

Mrs Sarah Jane Harvey is charged with the murder of Mrs Frances Alice Knight, whose mummified body was found on May 5 this year in a landing cupboard at Mrs Harvey's home, where she had been a lodger.

Mr Justice Davies, addressing Sir Jocelyn Simon, QC, the Solicitor General and Mr Andrew Rankin, defending, said that the Clerk of Assize thought the other cases in the list would last until 4.30 p.m.

"It is not a good thing to start cases of this kind so late in the evening," he said.

About 200 people had waited in the narrow street outside the court in the hope of catching a glimpse of Mrs Harvey but she was not brought to the court.—China Mail Special.



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Takes off his jacket in court room Farmer shows jury his wounds

Tells of chopper attack

A young farmer facing a murder charge took off his Chinese-style jacket and pullover in the Supreme Court today and showed the jury long scars on his head, neck, right shoulder and arm, which he said were chopper wounds.

The farmer, 24-year-old Lau Sang of Lok Ma Chau, New Territories, claimed that it was the deceased, Wong Shing, who attacked him first with a chopper as he was stepping into his house with a heavy load on his shoulder.

He said he pulled a wooden pole from the load and Wong ran away. He chased Wong in order to arrest him.

Near a ditch, he said, Wong stopped, turned and held up the chopper ready to attack again.

Lau said he tried to strike the chopper out of Wong's hand but could not recollect where the blow landed. Wong immediately fell into the ditch, he said, and he did not remember if he had struck Wong again with the pole.

A daze

"I was in such a daze that I was staggering around—with the pole in my hand. I could hardly stand. I did not know anything else until I found myself in hospital," Lau said.

The Prosecution's case was that Wong had a fractured skull and died before arrival at the hospital. The incident occurred on the evening of July 13.

Giving evidence in his own defence, Lau told the jury that he had had a dispute and a fight with Wong on July 1 and both went to the police station. There they were told to behave themselves and left.

Lau said the matter was later settled and he undertook to pay for Wong's medical expenses. He said he had given Wong about \$200 and on the eve of the incident, Wong again demanded \$5 saying that he was suffering from pain as a result of the fight.

About 7.30 pm on July 13, Lau said, he was returning home with his wife. As he was stepping into the house he was attacked. He turned round and saw Wong with the chopper aiming blows at him.

Sharpened

He claimed that he had seen Wong sharpening the chopper from time to time before the day of the incident.

Hearing before Mr Justice R. H. Munn-Owens, continues. Lau is defended by Mr. A. K. W. Lui.

Mr Simon Li, Crown Counsel, is prosecuting.

Swiss MPs in Colony

A group of 12 members of the Swiss Parliament arrived today by Swissair from Tokyo after attending the Inter-Parliamentary Union conference.

The group included Dr. Gabriel Despland, President of the Swiss Senate, and Dr. Emil Duff, vice-president of the Swiss National Council and leader of the Swiss delegation to the conference.

They will be in the Colony until tomorrow evening before going on to visits to Bangkok and India before returning home.

Letters from you to the editor

WHOSE FRUSTRATION? dear sir

One more word, and 'Victorian' can have the Albert Hall to himself.

'Vict' disagreed with my point of view and suggested that opposition in Legislative Council was "merely a sign of frustration," whose frustration he omitted to mention, possibly he meant ours.

He also said, "Government would never dream of over-riding the Unofficials on any major issue today. As they therefore control Government, any criticism would be self-criticism and rather pointless."

With his first point—Government not over-riding the Unofficials—it is agreed. One doesn't 'over-ride' acquiescence, and where there is an absolute unanimity among Officials and Unofficials, a passage is always assured.

Whether in major or minor issues, it'd be unthinkable for our honourable friends to raise a dissenting voice unless, as in the case of the football pools, the public insists on having a say, and then reluctantly, some respect for 'divergence of views' might possibly be expressed.

Usually, it's 'nodding doing.' As regards 'vie's' second point: "As they therefore control Government, any criticism would be self-criticism and rather pointless." (The italics are mine).

Wonder of wonder! So our Unofficials 'control' Government! My! Where have I been all these years that I never knew this before? Come, come, 'Victorian', let's put it to the vote. Those who support the view that our Unofficials control the Government put up both their feet—they have no right to stand on! This is the best joke of the century, and 'vie' should be awarded the palm for being the perfect comedian.

Having missed his point, as his letter's heading admonished, I'm now beating round the bush.

TINY TIM.

Like triads

After reading Patrick Knox's reply to D.V.R., I begin to understand why so many Christians "pray and prey."

It is so much like the initiation ritual of a Triad Society in Hongkong. Some lead good lives, and some lead bad lives, but the initiation ritual 'has imprinted on all of them a character which can never be effaced.'

The indelible ritual also makes one a member of the Spirit of Guan Gong, a "selfless" general who lived two hundred odd years after Christ.

A NATURALIST.

dear sir

A Christian

It is with some trepidation that I take up pen again, to cross swords this time, (please excuse the mixture) with such a doughty antagonist as Mr Knox.

Let me name four difficulties in the way of the position he takes:—

(1) It is not so stated in the Scripture. Salvation at the last rests alone on Christ's death for me and my acceptance thereof. Or, as with the 18th Article: "For Holy Scripture doth set out unto us only the name of Jesus Christ whereby men must be saved".

(2) Would Mr Knox allow that a man can persist in adultery, hypocrisy and murder, and simply because he is baptised, still go to heaven at last? What is stated of the attitude of The Judge at the final Great Assize does not allow this thought.

(3) There are men, not by any means a few, who have renounced their baptism and live their lives in accord with

that repudiation. Would Mr Knox still drag them to heaven in spite of themselves and their Judge?

(4) There is surely a sequence in becoming a Christian, not just one single act. Does it not involve Repentance, Acceptance of Christ Jesus, Baptism. And the bringing forth of works meet for Repentance.

D.V.R.

P. S. I do not think Mr Knox will instance the case of the thief on the cross, for surely God has made His salvation wide enough for every position in which man can find himself.

dear sir

'Silly Willy'

That title to your 'Comment' of yesterday was most apposite: "Unconscious Idiots," but aren't all idiots unconsciously so, for who would deliberately or consciously be an idiot?

But then those followers of our (?) Cousins were in their natural elements, for only idiots, unconscious or wide-awake, would permit themselves to be led by the nose like cattle to be slaughtered.

And while condemning our Cousins (remotely removed, let's hope) for his incalculable behaviour, we might also have an admonishing word for that Treasurer-philosopher Bertrand Russell who, at the ripe old age of 88, should ease off his mental agility a bit and stop trying to emulate our lamented and revered Mahatma Gandhi whose doctrine in his time and in his country fit in admirably with the occasion, but time has since changed, and civil disobedience for the British simply isn't water to a duck.

Our noble lord would do well to use his grey matters on something more constructive and less derisive, for it's most unbecoming of an otherwise respectable gentleman trying to make an 'unconscious idiot' of himself, to be the laughing-stock of his fellow men.

C. LE S.

Professor's complaint about film prices

A Swiss professor of scientific photography left Hong Kong today complaining of the lack of controls on prices of colour transparencies.



Prof. John Eggert, left, with Dr Ernst Zund, the two Swiss professors, at the airport shortly before departure.—Intipar photo.

houses, and down below in the town children are playing or lying in the streets. It appears that Hongkong is a city of big social contrasts," he said.

The two professors had been invited to Japan for a three-week lecture tour at the invitation of the Society of Scientific Photography of Japan, of which Prof. Eggert is an honorary member. They lectured at both Tokyo and Kyoto Universities on the subject to photography during their lecture tour.

This is the professors' first visit to the Far East and from Hongkong they will go on to Bangkok for a four-day visit before returning to Switzerland. Dr Ernst Zund, the technician, commented on the quality of Japanese cameras saying, "First they copied the well-known brands of cameras, and these were not of good quality. But now they have added their own inventions and processes and are manufacturing some of the best cameras in the world," he added.

35 traffic accidents yesterday

A total of 35 traffic accidents, 18 in Kowloon, 16 in Hongkong and one in the New Territories, occurred yesterday.

These left in their wake four people seriously injured, 22 slightly injured and 15 cars damaged.

The biggest accident was the head-on collision between two textile mill private transports for workers in Ngau Tau Kok road at 10.50 pm.

Fourteen men and women were injured, one of them suffering from serious concussion.

Fell from lorry

The vehicles, owned by the Nanyang Cotton Mill Ltd and the East Sun Textile Co. Ltd, were both damaged.

At 2.10 pm, a man, Chark Kung, fell from a lorry when it turned from Kwong Shing street into Castle Peak road. Chark was suffering from serious concussion when he was admitted to hospital.

At 10 pm, a three-year-old boy, Leung Chung-hing, suffered injuries to the head and legs

when he was caught in the rear bumper of a bus in Tai Hang Tung Resettlement Area. In Kwai Chung, near Tuen Wan, a 68-year-old woman, Ma Lai-wah, and a six-year-old girl, Poon Yuk-fong, were knocked down by a car when they were walking in the street.

Ran over

In Hongkong, a lorry ran over a 13-year-old boy, Siu Loung-chung, fracturing his right leg while he was crossing Des Voeux road West near the Liu Chong Hing Bank at 5.15 pm.

In Canal road East near the Fire Brigade station, a lorry swerving to avoid knocking down a 67-year-old woman, Cheung Kam, was struck from behind by another lorry at 2.50 pm.

The record number of accidents in a day is 30 in Kowloon and 35 in Hongkong.

LOCAL ARTISTS EXHIBIT

Oil paintings by seven well-known local artists are on show at an exhibition which opened this morning at the Chinese Chamber of Commerce Building.

All the artists are seasoned painters, the oldest and most experienced being Mr Feng Kan-po, a versatile painter who studied in New York and has been working for 50 years.

Mr Feng is a consummate artist. I particularly liked a Canton river scene in the style of Whistler. Mr Yu also shows scenes of Canton and his treatment of light on water produces exquisite effects.

Lau Chan (Chen Fu-san)—a self-taught painter—is always ready to experiment. I liked best his very definitely treated rural scene of cottages and trees, against a background of blue hills, with light pouring through a single young sapling in the foreground.

WESTERN INFLUENCE

Huang Cho-kuen (C. F. Wong) has an individual style in flower painting; he has studied in America and has obviously been influenced by Western painting in his "Red Japonica"—a mass of bloom with the rough, dark branches accentuating the glowing petals.

The portrait of an old woman by Ng Po-wan (Wu Pu-yun) is the best of his work shown at this exhibition; he studied in the Philippines, and here again, a foreign influence pervades his work.

Mr Chu Tung-pak shows some interesting village scenes. The exhibition will continue for three days from 10 am to 7 pm and is well worth a visit.—M.P.

From the Files

25 years AGO

October 1935

HER Royal Highness the Duchess of Kent was safely delivered of a son at 2.05 am on October 9. The condition of Her Royal Highness and the infant is satisfactory. This is the official bulletin which announced early yesterday the birth of a son to the Duke and Duchess of Kent.

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His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has appointed Mr B.C.K. Hawkins to be Chief Assistant to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs.

He has also appointed Mr Lo Man-kam to be an Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council.

Mr Lo has also been appointed with Mr G. S. Archbutt, the Deputy Inspector General of Police and the Head of the Sanitary Department, to form a committee to advise the Government in matters concerning the internal communications of the Colony (road traffic).

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A PITCHED battle is raging for the possession of Adowa.

The latest news is that the Ethiopian Commander, Ras Seyum, has sent a message to the Government saying that he cannot hold out much longer.

There has also been fighting in Ogaden where it is said that 2,000 Ethiopians have been killed.

An Italian official communiqué describes the first day's advance of 12 miles into Ethiopia, and the driving back of an opposing force.

The bombing of Adowa and Adigrat are admitted. On all fronts the air arm has played a prominent part.

The League Council meets this morning. It is reported that France and England have agreed to apply financial and economic sanctions if the Council finds that an act of aggression has been committed.

Italy is to be represented and it is said that Baron Aloisi has been instructed to fight the suggestion that Italy has been the aggressor.

U.S. commercial art exhibit at Cathedral

About 217 photographs and advertising designs for television, newspapers and magazines were shown in a commercial art exhibition at St John's Cathedral Hall today.

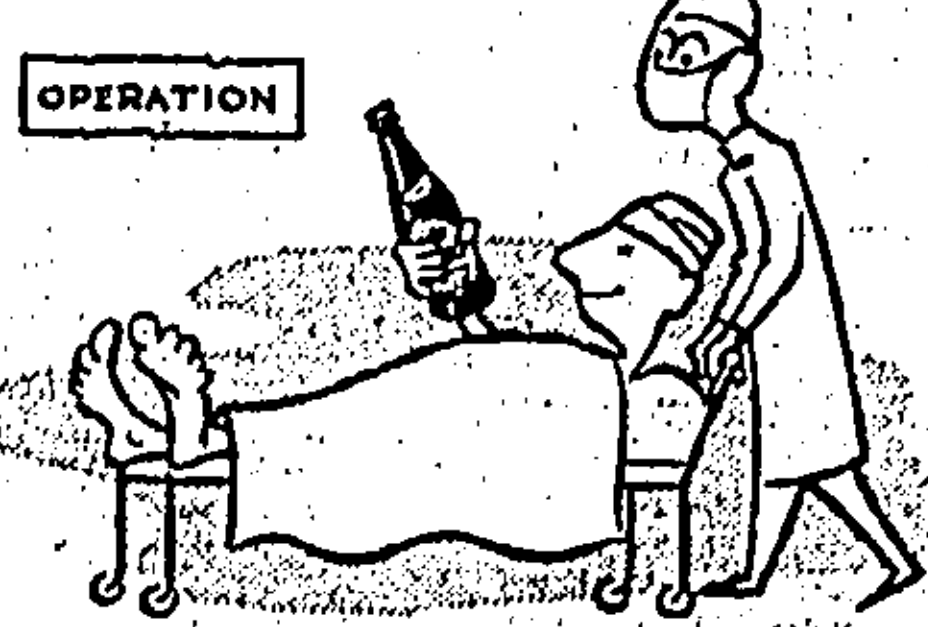
These are some of the exhibits of the regional commercial art competition sponsored by the Art Directors' Club of Washington last year. The exhibition in Hongkong was arranged by the U.S. Information Service. The exhibition is open to the public now and will close at 5 pm on Saturday. Mr Robert Tims, the cultural officer of the USIS, said the exhibition would later be held in Formosa and Korea.

Assaulted

The owner of a goldsmith shop was bound over in \$200 for a year by Mr E. C. O'Connell at Central Court this morning for "wounding, his apprentice whom he suspected of dishonesty."

Tang Cheun, of 48 Lyndhurst Terrace, first floor, pleaded guilty to a charge of assault, causing bodily harm.

Mr Robert E. Tims of the USIS shows Miss Edith Wong the cover of the Russian language magazine, America, at the Exhibition of American commercial art at St. John's Cathedral Hall this morning.—China Mail photo.



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